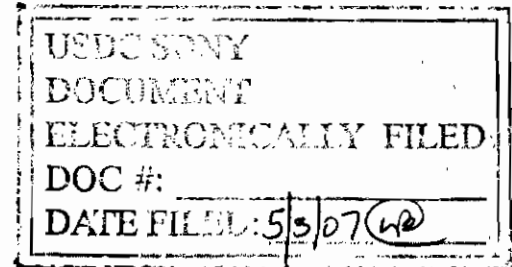


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MEMO ENCLOSED

Re: **United States v. Paul Vega,**  
**07 Cr. 373 (SHS)**

Dear Judge Stein:

Enclosed please find Indictment 07 Cr. 373 (SHS), which was assigned to Your Honor yesterday. The Indictment charges the defendant in one count with participating in a narcotics conspiracy. The defendant was previously presented on a complaint before Magistrate Judge Eaton on March 1, 2007. Arraignment and the first pre-trial conference is currently scheduled for Monday, May 7 at 12:00 p.m. The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded from speedy trial calculations until that date to allow the parties time to discuss the Indictment and the discovery in this case. Defense counsel, Margaret Shalley, consents to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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SO ORDERED 5/3/07

SIDNEY H. STEIN  
U.S.D.J.